

DAME, Timothy Herbert

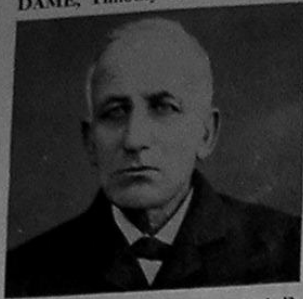


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Native of Pittsfield, N.H., b Nov. 6 '25; a seafaring man who had entered all of the big and most of the small ports of the world by the time he reached Calif. in Nov. '48. Most of his earlier years were spent in Sta Cruz where on June 1 '56 before Judge Henry Rice he wed Mary J. Liddell, a daughter of George. To this union two child., Charles Elliott '39 and Alfred Herbert '62, were born. He was a member of the Calvary Episcopal church dividing his time between Sta Cruz, SF and Alameda, being treasurer of the Alameda County RR incorp. Jan. 10 '63 and president of the S Jose Coast railroad. About this time he abandoned Mary Jane and the child. His fortune subsequently dwindled and he was reduced to laboring at Felton, perhaps in a token job on the railroad he had helped promote. Dame died May 19 '86, survived by a widow, Ellen, native of Ire. The boys followed their father as seamen.

SKINNER, A. A.

Died in Sta Cruz '77. Said to have come overland from NY to Ore., '54 bro. of Eugene F. S. — a pioneer of Calif. of the same year, the latter being a resident of Ore. in later years and founder of the town of Eugene. A. A. Skinner was said to have been one of the gold rush pioneers who returned to Oregon and became judge of the supreme court of that state; settling in Sta Cruz after retirement. I assume that more than one of his overland companions were residents of Santa Cruz, but I do not know how to put my finger on them. See Gustave Bowman.

BOYLE, Michael Owen

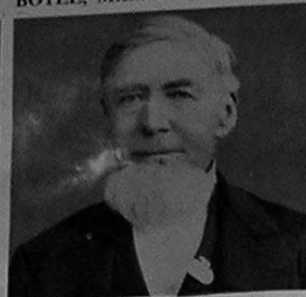


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B in Dorrah, Monaghan co., Ire., Sept. 29 '05. To Quebec in '34, but settled July 4 in Burlington, Vt. Two years later he was a contractor in NY City. Leaving his family behind, with a bro. he came to Calif. by sea, reaching SF Jan. 29 '50. To the Columbia mines. Receiving word of his wife's death '52, he returned east and brought the child, west. Followed the mining excitement, even in his old age, to Arizona, Nevada, Frazer river, Panamint, wherever a new strike was reported. To Sta Cruz '58 to build the reservoir for Hihn and Anthony, maintaining his home here thereafter, except for five years in LA. Died Feb. 24 '90, survived by five child.: Alice (Mrs. Higgins), an Anaheim doctor; Arthur, then of Montana; Stella, sister superior of an Indianapolis hospital; Eliza (Mrs. William Culverwell) and Maria (Mrs. M. V. Bennett), both of Sta Cruz.

Mrs. Culverwell, mother of Alice Culverwell Dixon, prop. of the Big Tree pharmacy and for many years a leader in the school system of this county, and Mrs. Bennett, whose only child became the first wife of Charles E. Towne, were silver voiced youngsters engaged from the time of their arrival as members of the choir of the old mission, their sweet arias raised in praise when every tremulous note threatened to completely shatter the earthquake damaged adobe structure. They passed their declining years at home on Mission Hill recounting for children of the neighborhood the stories of their youth.

HILL, Pleasant

Ensneced, at Soquel '50-1.

SHORT, William

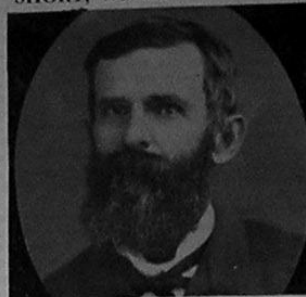


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Bro. of Samuel S. S. — (q. v.) b in Castine, Me., '28; received his education at Bangor where for a series of years he was employed about the docks and in lumber yards. To Calif. '48 with bro. In '50, a participant in the notorious 'French War' at Mokelumne Hill. Here a company of Frenchmen struck almost pure gold in the lava diggings, but became involved with American miners, one of whom the French were accused of shooting in the back. About 150 Americans, including Short and his brother, organized as a posse to attack the French, entrenched in mining debris in the lava beds. William Short was appt. capt. of one of the squads to attack the French breastworks. But when the invading horde swarmed over the fortifications there was not a Frenchman in sight. Defenders had been frightened off. In their places were American miners, simulating the madness they had a few minutes before assigned to their enemies. Scuffling feet had exposed a ledge of almost solid gold. Dropping their guns and drawing sheath knives they fell to their knees to dig. Although these were feeble mining implements, William and Samuel Short alone within 20 minutes took out \$1500 worth of the precious metal.

The bros. separated '53: Sam returning home, William pursuing fortune to the newly discovered fields of South America. Here he nearly gave up his life to the real yellow fever. When he recovered in Lima, Peru, in '55 the fever for gold had disappeared, too. He returned to NY '55 and the next year married in Bangor Miss Sarah M. Clark of that city. Back in Calif. the same year, he located in Siskiyou county; to Stockton '66 and to Sta Cruz '67 in the butcher business, Short was by '68 one of the first merchants of Felton. Two years later he sold this out in order to take up the cattle business in San Benito county. By '82 he was retired 'in order to spend the remainder of my life in the most agreeable place I have found in all my wanderings.' His home was on Ocean street, across the way from that of his brother.

CHASE, Squire

Died in Sta Cruz '50. Instinct suggests that this is in error; that the party alluded to was S. U. Chase, a New York Quaker who reached Santa Cruz in the summer of '45 in a party of 39 persons, including James Wilson Marshall (discoverer of gold at Coloma, Thomas Cochran (founded of Cacheville and later a resident of San at Cruz) and Peter Burnett (first governor of California and the first chief justice of the supreme court. Chase returned to Oregon in time to miss the Bear Flag revolt here but to take part in a 2-year Indian war there. Back to California for the gold rush, he was still living (in Yolo county) in 1880, a bachelor aged 64 years.

HUDDART, John M.

'49, engaged in land speculation in Sta Cruz. To Calif. as Lt. of Co. F, NY vols. Died in the Sandwich isles before '60.

KING, James

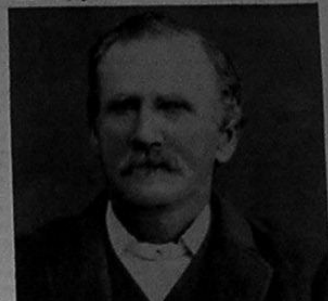


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Born in Boone co., Mo., Mar. 1 '22, King crossed the plains in '49, reaching Sacto Sept. 15. He did not engage in mining, preferring the life of a ranchero in the Sta Cruz mountains. By '66 King was a home owner in Sta Cruz tho' still resident of the San Lorenzo valley '68. By '85 he had moved to his city farm, being from that date a member of the county pioneer society, city poundmaster and farmer. Died unmarried Nov. 30 '93.



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